

Message Text

SECRET

PAGE 01 STOCKH 01428 011205Z

ACTION NODS-00

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /001 W

-----011206Z 004473 /22

O 010947Z APR 77

FM AMEMBASSY STOCKHOLM

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 0215

S E C R E T STOCKHOLM 1428

NODIS

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: MNUC, PFOR, SW

SUBJ: PRESIDENTIAL NUCLEAR POLICY STATEMENT

REF: (A) STATE 67973, (B) STOCKHOLM 1369

1. ON MARCH 31 THE MFA GAVE US ITS INITIAL COMMENTS ON THE POINTS IN REFTTEL A AND EXPRESSED GOS APPRECIATION FOR BEING CONSULTED IN ADVANCE. MFA POLITICAL DIRECTOR LEIF LEIGLAND TOLD THE AMBASSADOR THAT FOREIGN MINISTER SODER HAD CONFERRED WITH PRIME MINISTER FALLDIN ABOUT THE US PROPOSALS, AND THEY WERE PARTICULARLY GRATEFUL FOR THE ADVANCE INFORMATION BECAUSE OF THE BEARING US POLICY HAS ON THE SERIOUS NUCLEAR DEBATE NOW TAKING PLACE IN SWEDEN.

2. A NON-PAPER GIVING GOS VIEWS WAS GIVEN TO DCM LATE MARCH 31 BY HENRIK LILJEGREN, IN CHARGE OF DISARMAMENT/NUCLEAR ENERGY MATTERS IN MFA, AND HIS DEPUTY JOHAN LIND. THE TEXT FOLLOWS:

3. BEGIN TEXT: THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT IS STRONGLY COMMITTED TO THE STRUGGLE TO PREVENT THE FURTHER SPREAD OF NUCLEAR EXPLOSIVE CAPABILITY. IT IS GREATFUL FOR THIS ADVANCE INFORMATION ON THE US APPROACH REGARDING NON-PROLIFERATION AND SENSITIVE ASPECTS OF THE NUCLEAR FUEL CYCLE, AS WELL AS ON US POLICY DECISIONS SOON TO BE ANNOUNCED.

SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 02 STOCKH 01428 011205Z

4. THE SWEDISH ENERGY PROGRAM BEING IN A PROCESS OF COMPREHENSIVE REVIEW, IT IS DIFFICULT TO OFFER ANY DETAILED COMMENTS OR SUGGESTIONS TO THE ADVANCE INFORMATION RECEIVED. IT IS OBVIOUS, HOWEVER, THAT SWEDEN IS MOST INTERESTED TO HAVE FURTHER EXCHANGES OF VIEW ON THE INTERNATIONAL IMPLICATIONS OF THE US DOMESTIC DECISIONS. MATTERS REGARDING THE SAFE

MANAGEMENT OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL AND RADIOACTIVE WASTE ARE CONSIDERED TO BE EXTREMELY IMPORTANT BY THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT. IN ITS VIEW ANY COURSE OF ACTION IN THIS FIELD MUST MEET THE VERY HIGHEST STANDARDS REGARDING LONG TERM, ABSOLUTE PROTECTION OF THE BIOSPHERE.

5. IN CONCLUSION, THE SWEDISH GOVERNMENT WISHES TO STATE ITS INTEREST AND WILLINGNESS TO COOPERATE IN INTERNATIONAL EFFORTS EXPLORING AND DEVELOPING EFFECTIVE INTERNATIONAL ARRANGEMENTS TO MINIMIZE THE RISKS OF PROLIFERATION. END TEXT.

6. IN INFORMAL DISCUSSION AFTER PRESENTING NON-PAPER, LILJEGREN AND LIND SAID FRANKLY THAT GOS WAS STILL IN THE THROES OF ITS OWN NUCLEAR DEBATE AND WAS NOT YET IN A POSITION TO TAKE A STRONG STAND FOR OR AGAINST SOME ELEMENTS OF THE US PACKAGE. ON THE ONE HAND, SWEDEN WAS TRADITIONALLY STRONGLY ATTACHED TO NON-PROLIFERATION. IN THIS CONNECTION THEY SAID THAT ONE SENTENCE IN FOREIGN MINISTER SODER'S PARLIAMENTARY SPEECH OF MARCH 30 REPRESENTED A STEP FORWARD FOR SWEDEN, NAMELY: "A GENERAL PRINCIPLE IN THE GOVERNMENT'S CONTINUED TREATMENT OF THESE MATTERS IS THAT EXPORT LICENSES TO NON-NUCLEAR-AAPON STATES WILL ONLY BE GRANTED IF THEY HAVE RATIFIED THE NON-PROLIFERATION TREATY OR HAVE ACCEPTED AT LEAST EQUALLY COMPREHENSIVE IAEA SAFEGUARDS COVERING ALL THEIR NUCLEAR ACTIVITIES." LILJEGREN SAID THIS WAS ESSENTIALLY SAME POSITION THAT CANADA ANNOUNCED LAST DECEMBER. (FOR FULL TEXT OF THIS PORTION SEE STOCKHOLM 1399.) COMMENT: THIS IS ESSENTIALLY THE SAME POSITION EXPRESSED TO US BY THE MFA LAST DECEMBER (SEE 76 STOCKHOLM 7099). THE "STEP FORWARD" TO WHICH
SECRET

SECRET

PAGE 03 STOCKH 01428 011205Z

LILJEGREN REFERS PROBABLY CONSISTS OF A MORE FORMALIZED EXPRESSION OF SWEDISH POLICY.

7. ON THE OTHER HAND, LILJEGREN CONTINUED, SWEDEN WAS NOW VIGOROUSLY DEBATING THE SAFETY OF NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS, AND A VITAL PART OF FUTURE SAFETY WAS DISPOSITION OF SPENT FUEL: IF THIS FUEL COULD NOT BE REPROCESSED, THE LIKELIHOOD OF APPROVING FUTURE NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS WAS DIMINISHED. THEREFORE, AS THEIR NON-PAPER INDICATED, THE SWEDES ARE GREATLY INTERESTED IN WHAT US POLICY WILL BE ON THE MANAGEMENT OF SPENT NUCLEAR FUEL, AND THEY WOULD APPRECIATE CONTINUED CONSULTATION ON THIS ASPECT (AS WELL AS OTHERS) OF OUR NEW POLICY.

8. SINCE NUCLEAR POLICY IS OF MORE IMMEDIATE POLITICAL IMPORTANCE IN SWEDEN PROBABLY THAN ANYWHERE ELSE IN THE WORLD--THE PRESENT COALITION GOVERNMENT HAS A REAL CHANCE OF BREAKING UP OVER THE ISSUE (SEE STOCKHOLM 1340)--THE SWEDES WILL BE FOLLOWING OUR DEVELOPMENT OF POLICY WITH ENORMOUS INTEREST. ANY FUTURE CONSULTATION OR ADVANCE INFORMATION WILL BE MUCH

APPRECIATED.

SMITH

SECRET

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01-Jan-1994 12:00:00 am
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: VOTING, PRESIDENT, POLICIES, NUCLEAR PROLIFERATION, PAPERS, TEXT, DIPLOMATIC REPRESENTATIONS, GOVERNMENT REACTIONS, CONSTITUTIONAL REFERENDUM, REMO VAL FROM OFFICE, CAT-B, NUCLEAR SAFEGUARDS, INTERGOVERNMENTAL COOPERATION
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Sent Date: 01-Apr-1977 12:00:00 am
Decaption Date: 01-Jan-1960 12:00:00 am
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 22 May 2009
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1977STOCKH01428
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: P850070-2021, N770002-0368
Format: TEL
From: STOCKHOLM
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1977/newtext/t19770497/aaaadgqx.tel
Line Count: 118
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 83918bab-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NODS
Original Classification: SECRET
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: SECRET
Previous Handling Restrictions: NODIS
Reference: 77 STATE 67973, 77 STOCKHOLM 1369
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 15-Feb-2005 12:00:00 am
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2923019
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: PRESIDENTIAL NUCLEAR POLICY STATEMENT
TAGS: PINT, PINS, PDIP, MNUC, PFOR, PARM, US, XX, SW, (FOLLE MARTINEZ, AFOLFO),
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odbk://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/83918bab-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Margaret P. Grafeld
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
22 May 2009
Markings: Margaret P. Grafeld Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 22 May 2009

